

68th LEGISLATURE—REGULAR SESSION

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS—PUBLIC SERVANTS KILLED ON DUTY—ASSISTANCE—SURVIVING DEPENDENT PARENTS AND SIBLINGS

H. J. R. No. 65

A JOINT RESOLUTION

proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the payment of assistance to the surviving dependent parents, brothers, and sisters of certain public servants killed while on duty.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That Article III, Section 51-d, of the Texas Constitution be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 51-d. The Legislature shall have the power, by general law, to provide for the payment of assistance by the State of Texas to the surviving spouse, [and] minor children, and surviving dependent parents, brothers, and sisters of officers, employees, and agents, including members of organized volunteer fire departments and members of organized police reserve or auxiliary units with authority to make an arrest, of the state or of any city, county, district, or other political subdivision who, because of the hazardous nature of their duties, suffer death in the course of the performance of those official duties. Should the Legislature enact any enabling laws in anticipation of this amendment, no such law shall be void by reason of its anticipatory nature.

SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the voters at an election to be held on November 6, 1984. The ballot shall be printed to provide for voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for payment of assistance to the surviving dependent parents, brothers, and sisters of certain public servants killed while on duty."

Passed by the House on May 13, 1983: Yeas 133, Nays 8, 1 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 28, 1983: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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